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C O N F I D E N T I A L KIGALI 0315

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SUBJ: RWANDAN EFFORTS TO STOP REFUGEE INVASION

ISTANBUL AND IZMIR FOR AMBASSADOR YOST

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1. HIGH LEVEL OFFICIALS HERE ARE REPORTED FURIOUS
WITH BURUNDI REFUGEES FOR INVASION ATTEMPT WHICH
THEY CONSIDER TO BE ILL- ADVISED, DISORGANIZED AND
OF COURSE DAMAGING TO GOR/ GRB RELATIONS.

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TO EMBASSY RADIO BURUNDI' S ACCOUNT OF TELEGRAM FROM
MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO BURUNDI
FOREIGN MINISTER RECOUNTING RWANDA' S ATTEMPTS TO DETER
REFUGEES FROM ENTERING BURUNDI.

2. ACCORDING BURUNDI REFUGEE SOURCE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT
MAY 11 INTERCEPTED CABLE FROM KIGOMA TO BURUNDI REFUGEES
IN RWANDA URGING AN INCURSION THAT NIGHT. RWANDAN
OFFICIALS CONFRONTED REFUGEE LEADERS WITH CABLE, CALLED PLAN
SUICIDAL, AND INFORMED THEM THEY COULD NOT COUNT ON ANY
RWANDAN GOVERNMENT SUPPORT. ARMY WAS PUT ON REGULAR PATROL
IN REFUGEE AREA.

3. MAY 12 AFTER HEARING OF FURTHER MOBILIZATION OF
REFUGEES IN LILIMA CAMP, MINISTERS BIZIMANA AND
SHIRAMAKA MET WITH REFUGEES AND WARNED OF DIRE
CONSEQUENCES OF INVASION. ON PERCEIVING REFUGEES TO
BE DETERMINED, MINISTERS ORDERED REINFORCEMENTS FROM
KIGALI TO BLOCK INVASION ROUTE. ARMY ARRIVED TOO LATE,
INTERCEPTING BUT A FEW REFUGEES.

4. MAY 12 COMMANDER OF BUTARE GARRISON MET WITH
REFUGEES GATHERING IN BUTARE TO TELL THEM HE HAD
ORDERS TO SHOOT ANYONE CROSSING BORDER. BORDER SOUTH
OF BUTARE REPORTED SEALED OFF BY ARMY.

5. MAY 13 MINISTER MUNYANEZA SENT TO BURUNDI FOREIGN
MINISTER CABLE DETAILING RWANDAN GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO
DISSUADE REFUGEES.

6. EMBASSY HAS REPORTS REFUGEES AT LILIMA UNDERWENT
WITCHCRAFT CEREMONY INVOLVING HEMP SMOKING BEFORE
DEPARTING FOR BURUNDI.
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